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Gen. Tanzi selected as AFRC Vice Commander

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ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. – Maj. Gen. David E. Tanzi will return here in January to serve as vice commander of Air Force Reserve Command.

He will replace Maj. Gen. John J. Batbie Jr., who will retire after he relinquishes his post to General Tanzi Jan. 21.

General Tanzi currently commands 10th Air Force, Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth, Texas.

Before that assignment, he was director of plans and programs at Headquarters AFRC, from February 1999 to March 2002.

Other assignments include:

Commander of the 419th Fighter Wing, Hill AFB, Utah, from July 1993 to February 1999.

Commander of the 906th Fighter Group, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, from July 1987 to July 1993.

Deputy commander for operations and later commander of the 917th Tactical Fighter Group, Barksdale AFB, La., from December 1985 to July 1987.

As vice commander of the Air Force Reserve, General Tanzi will oversee AFRC daily operations.

General Tanzi is a native of Hanover, N.H. He entered the Air Force through the Ohio Air

National Guard in 1968 and earned his wings in 1970. As a fighter weapons school graduate, he has held several supervisory and command positions to include serving as a squadron, group and wing commander.

General Tanzi is a command pilot with more than 4,500 flying hours in several fighter aircraft. He flew combat missions over northern Iraq in support of Operation Provide Comfort II. The general retired from civil service Dec. 3. He is now a full-time reservist in the Active Guard and Reserve program. (AFRC News Service)



Maj Gen David E. Tanzi

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Chief's Corner by CMSgt Michael G. Steinbach Financial Management Superintendent

Money, Money, Money, Money

...Money. That one little word either evokes thoughts of an old Pink Floyd song, or, for those of you born after 1973, it brings about thoughts of how little we have and how much we want. In the latter case, it's all about how we manage our money. So with that in mind, here are a few helpful hints to start you on your way to financial nirvana.

1. Set Goals - If you haven't already, set aside time to think about what you want out of life. Set short-term goals, intermediate and long-term goals for your life. Then plan your financing accordingly. You wouldn't go into combat without a plan, and you shouldn't spend your money without one either.

2. Live by a Budget - Know what's coming in and what's going out. We often don't pay attention to how much we're spending and what we're spending it on.

Try and track your expenses for a month or two, you may be surprised as to what you find out about your spending habits.

3. Pay Yourself First - Save a portion of your earnings every month. When you receive bonus pay or tax free pay, save more than you spend.



The Military TSP option we all have is a great way to "pay yourself first". Remember, if you don't see it, you're less likely to spend it. This is one habit that it pays to have.

4. Establish an Emergency Fund - Most financial planners suggest an emergency fund equaling approximately three to six months of living expenses. If it sounds like a lot, realize it is. Having it will help ensure your financial security if your income should change dramatically. This is a key strategy of many wealthy people.

5. Keep debt down - Keep credit card spending to a minimum. Take advantage of loans that make sense. Investigate loan opportunities available through the Veteran's Administration. If possible, always pay cash. Credit card debt can easily grow to an unmanageable amount if you're not careful. Try to never make just the

minimum payment, if able double or even triple the payment amount. You'll see that mountain of debt start to erode away.

Follow these few tips to ensure your financial well-being. Committing to these basic principles will, in turn, make you a better prepared and deployable Airman.

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Congratulations

Civilian

Welcome

Silvia III, John C. 939 MXG/CC

Awards

Hiles, Philip 939 MXO/MXOOS

Promotions

Barron, Elaine P. 939 MSG/CC
Holt, Joel A. 939 LRS/LGRR
Houston, Cynthia D. 304 RQS/DOS
Silvia III, John C. 939 MXG/CC

Military

Welcome

SrA Aebi, David A. 939 AMXS
A1C Anderson, Michael J. 939 AMXS
SSgt Benitez, Roland C. 939 LRS
SrA Burtch, Patrick S. 939 MXS
A1C Cardwell, Shawn K. 939 MSS
Amn Clark, Seth A. 939 CF
SSgt Conrad, Jamie R. 939 ARW
SrA Davis, Tracy E. 83 APS
SSgt Dulay, Arvin C. 83 APS
SSgt Erickson, Jacob A. 939 CES
TSgt Gardner, Michael 939 CF
SSgt Isaac, Heather C. 83 APS
SrA Johnston, Joshua M. 304 RQS
SrA MacDougall, Scott M. 939 AMXS
A1C Marquez, Erin R. 939 MSS
SSgt Mode, Daniel D. 939 LRS
A1C Modjtabei, Shawn M. 939 ARW
A1C Short, Meggan 939 MDS
TSgt Strasser, James H. 939 MXS
Capt Wallace, Richard W. 939 MSG

Awards

Air Medal
MSgt James M. Eddings 304 RQS
TSgt Keith D. Stevens (2) 939 OSF

Meritorious Service Medal
MSgt Daniel G. Beshears 939 SVF
SMSgt Dianna L. Cox 939 MDS
SMSgt Bruce E. Fontaine 939 AMXS
Capt Charles A. Knapp 939 SVF
MSgt Susan J. Murray 939 ARW
CMSgt David K. Roberts 939 ARW
Maj Eric A. Schadler 939 CES

Awards cont.

MSgt Robert J. Shulman 939 SVF
MSgt Brian K. Wright 939 MDS

Air Force Commendation Medal
TSgt Kevin F. Baum (2) 304 RQS
MSgt Eric W. Grandstaff 83 APS
2LT Quintin W. Nelson 304 RQS
2LT Mark G. Ross 304 RQS
MSgt Craig M. Sandquist 939 SVF
TSgt Jason P. Songer (2) 304 RQS

Air Force Achievement Medal
TSgt Kenneth L. Hair 939 AMXS

Promotions

To MSgt
William E. Cote 939 MSS

To TSgt
Stephen Kuchabsky Jr 939 MOF
Dwayne M. Lee 939 CES
David P. Lynch 939 LRS
Robert T. Smithline 939 LRS
Aron M. Stine
John S. Wanner 939 CES

To SSgt
Jason W. Reininger 939 MDS
Robert A. Rud 83 APS



In a ceremony on Saturday of the December UTA, Maj Barbara Dobroth, 939 MXS/CC, presented Air Force Commendation Medals to (from left to right top to bottom) TSgt Brent Curtis, MSgt Bryan Kamahoahoa, TSgt Phillip Ek, TSgt Robert Vaillancourt, and TSgt Samuel Green.



Promotions cont.

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|-------------------|---------|
| To SrA | |
| Shawn K. Cardwell | 939 MSS |
| Jessica M. Jenner | 939 MSS |
| Ashley N. Rogers | 939 CF |
| Meggan R. Short | 939 MDS |
| Casey R. Steele | 939 |
| AMXS | |
| Ryan T. Stephens | 939 CES |
| Comarra R. Thomas | 939 LRS |
| Erin J. Willis | 939 MSS |



In a ceremony on Saturday of the December UTA, Maj Barbara Dobroth, 939 MXS/CC, presented Air Force Commendation Medals and NATO medals to SMSgt Guy Newton (above) and TSgt Gregory Woolsey (below).



During an informal get together on his last day in civil service CMSgt David Roberts, 939 ARW/CCX, was presented with a plaque from CMSgt Michael Steinbach, 939 ARW/FMA. Roberts will retire militarily in a ceremony held during the January UTA.

Below, MSgt Susan Murray, 939 ARW/JA, retires during a ceremony held over the December UTA.





Capt Sher Gardner, 939 MSS/CC, congratulates her husband, TSgt Michael Gardner, 939 CF/SCV, after his re-enlistment back into the Air Force Reserve. Capt Gardner gave the oath to TSgt Gardner in November.



MSgt Norman Brenteson, 939 ARW/SEG, and MSgt Craig Sandquist, 939 AMXS/MXACH, were sworn in for another enlistment by Lt Col Dana Difford, 939 ARW/CCE.



Maj Connie Jenkins, 83 APS/CC, is presented by Col William Flanigan, 939 ARW/CC, with a certificate from Air Force Reserve Command Recruiting Service for her role in bringing numerous new recruits into the Air Force Reserve.

Congratulations!

AFRC Recruiting Service announced TSgt Eric Giacchino with the 304 Rescue Squadron, is one of the Air Force Reserve Command's top Get One performers for FY04.

TSgt Giacchino accessed seven new recruits into the Reserve Program.

Get One is a referral program that gives reservists a way to refer potential recruits to the Air Force Reserve. AFRC senior leadership has determined that top performing reservists, such as Sergeant Giacchino, will receive special recognition.



Congratulations to our wing commander and his wife!
Left, Col William Flanigan, 939 ARW/CC, and his wife, Glenda, were presented with a baby basket from the wing to welcome their newest family member.



January 17
Excerpt from Coretta Scott King, The Meaning of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

It is a day of interracial and intercultural cooperation and sharing. No other day of the year brings so many peoples from different cultural backgrounds together in such a vibrant spirit of brother and sisterhood. Whether you are African-American, Hispanic or Native American, whether you are Caucasian or Asian-American, you are part of the great dream Martin Luther King, Jr. had for America. This is not a black holiday; it is a peoples' holiday. And it is the young people of all races and religions who hold the keys to the fulfillment of his dream.



Above, baby Hadassa Dawn Morales, born on Dec 5, 2004, to Christina Morales, 939 ARW/DPC, and her husband, Alberto Morales.



Chili Cookoff was one of several fund raisers geared to raising money for the CFC.

By Capt Sher Gardner

Well, my tenure as Combined Federal Campaign coordinator for the 939th has finally come to a close. Thanks to everyone for your support over the past three years. Here is how we finished up for this year:

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|------|--------------------|
| MSG | \$3,621.00 |
| OG | \$2,502.00 |
| MXG | \$2,053.00 |
| Wing | \$3,051.00 |
| | \$11,227.00 |

Donations from payroll deductions and fundraisers enabled the 939 ARW to raise a total of \$12,189!!!! For the three years I have been lucky enough to work with CFC, we have collected a total of \$41,623.63. Awesome job. You all deserve to pat yourselves on the back. That money has been used by many organizations to help so many people. Thanks again.

Below are the gifts donated by members of the 939 ARW for the annual Angel Tree.



OSAN Deployment by Maj Karen Magnus



Osan AB, Korea - In a world that is uncertain at the best of times and at the worst of times frightening and chaotic, Americans have learned that nothing can be taken for granted. Such is the view of the “peace” in Korea, and everyday the military works, plays, and trains as if today could be the day that the peace is shattered. For two weeks Air Force Reservists from the 939th Air Refueling Wing lived and worked side-by-side with their active-duty counterparts of the 51st Fighter Wing, and experienced the pace of a wing that is within mere minutes reach of the enemy.

As Reservists, the 939th trains to be absorbed into an active duty component in times of combat or when the need arises as determined by the President of the United States.



So it was not surprising that the members who deployed to Osan were quickly absorbed into the daily routines of life in the 51st, and in keeping with the true intent of the Total Force, the 51st rose to the occasion and put these Reservists to work. In fact, such a good job was done by both sides that it was difficult to pick out the Reservists from their active-duty counterparts - except for the patches on the uniforms. When quizzed, the Reservists were able to respond as if they were stationed at Osan.





Page 9 top: group photo of approximately 65 people from Logistics Readiness Squadron, Military Personnel Flight, Services Flight, and Civil Engineering who deployed to Osan, Korea in December to participate in chemical warfare exercise. Middle photo: members getting on their gear for training prior to the start of the exercise. Bottom: treat injured co-worker. This page training to protect assets, welding work for vehicle maintenance, processing remains at the morgue, and on patrol to find the enemy.

One of the valuable aspects of this time together was the exchange of knowledge. For the Reservists operating in this forward location, or “the tip of the spear,” they learned about many aspects of their jobs that do not apply in the U.S. because they are factors that do not exist. For the active-duty the Reservists provided much needed additional manpower in shops that were short-handed. Some of the Reservists brought real-world experience having recently returned from seven months in Iraq supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

After a week of exercising in a simulated chemical environment, running 24-hour operations with every imaginable scenario thrown at them, Reservists and active duty alike consistently showed resilience, stamina, creativity,



and that incredible spirit that makes Americans and America what it is today. America is a place where freedom and democracy are ideals that prevail because Airmen in the 51st Fighter Wing and the 939th Air Refueling Wing and others like them around the world are standing guard at “the tip of the spear.”

2005 Reserve Pay for Four Drills Years of Service

| | Under 2 | Over 2 | Over 3 | Over 4 | Over 6 | Over 8 | Over 10 | Over 12 | Over 14 | Over 16 | Over 18 | Over 20 | Over 22 | Over 24 | Over 26 |
|------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| O-7 | 888.80 | 930.08 | 949.20 | 964.40 | 991.88 | 1,019.00 | 1,050.44 | 1,081.80 | 1,113.20 | 1,211.92 | 1,295.28 | 1,295.28 | 1,295.28 | 1,295.28 | 1,301.84 |
| O-6 | 658.76 | 723.72 | 771.20 | 771.20 | 774.12 | 807.32 | 811.72 | 811.72 | 857.84 | 939.40 | 987.28 | 1,035.12 | 1,062.36 | 1,089.88 | 1,143.40 |
| O-5 | 549.16 | 618.64 | 661.48 | 669.52 | 696.20 | 712.24 | 747.40 | 773.20 | 806.48 | 857.48 | 881.76 | 905.76 | 933.00 | 933.00 | 933.00 |
| O-4 | 473.84 | 548.52 | 585.12 | 593.28 | 627.24 | 663.68 | 709.00 | 744.36 | 768.88 | 782.96 | 791.16 | 791.16 | 791.16 | 791.16 | 791.16 |
| O-3 | 416.60 | 472.28 | 509.76 | 555.76 | 582.36 | 611.56 | 630.48 | 661.60 | 677.76 | 677.76 | 677.76 | 677.76 | 677.76 | 677.76 | 677.76 |
| O-2 | 359.92 | 409.96 | 472.16 | 488.12 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 | 498.16 |
| O-1 | 312.48 | 325.20 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 | 393.08 |
| O-3E | 0 | 0 | 0 | 555.76 | 582.36 | 611.56 | 630.48 | 661.60 | 687.80 | 702.80 | 723.28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| O-2E | 0 | 0 | 0 | 488.12 | 498.16 | 514.04 | 540.76 | 561.48 | 576.88 | 576.88 | 576.88 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| O-1E | 0 | 0 | 0 | 393.08 | 419.84 | 435.32 | 451.16 | 466.76 | 488.12 | 488.12 | 488.12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E-9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 520.16 | 531.96 | 546.80 | 564.32 | 581.88 | 610.12 | 634.00 | 659.16 | 697.56 |
| E-8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 425.80 | 444.64 | 456.28 | 470.28 | 485.40 | 512.72 | 526.56 | 550.12 | 563.20 | 595.36 |
| E-7 | 296.00 | 323.08 | 335.44 | 351.84 | 364.60 | 386.60 | 398.96 | 411.28 | 433.28 | 444.32 | 454.76 | 461.16 | 482.72 | 496.68 | 532.00 |
| E-6 | 256.04 | 281.68 | 294.12 | 306.20 | 318.80 | 347.24 | 358.28 | 370.56 | 381.32 | 385.16 | 387.76 | 387.76 | 387.76 | 387.76 | 387.76 |
| E-5 | 234.60 | 250.28 | 262.36 | 274.76 | 294.04 | 310.64 | 322.88 | 326.76 | 326.76 | 326.76 | 326.76 | 326.76 | 326.76 | 326.76 | 326.76 |
| E-4 | 215.04 | 226.08 | 238.28 | 250.36 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 | 261.04 |
| E-3 | 194.16 | 206.36 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 | 218.80 |
| E-2 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 | 184.60 |

Portland donates food

A military convoy of eight “Humvees” delivered in excess of 14,000 pounds of food to the Portland Police Sunshine Division warehouse on Friday, Dec. 10. The convoy was escorted by officers of the Portland Police Bureau’s Motorcycle Traffic Division and arrived at the Sunshine Division Warehouse around 10:00 a.m. The food donations were collected by the men and women of the 939th Air Refueling Wing and their families.

Wing personnel rally each year to provide food for families in their community. This is the fourteenth anniversary of the 939th Air Refu-

eling Wing’s “Share because you Care” holiday food drive, and brings the total donated since the Wing’s first food drive in 1991, to more than 134 tons of food for the Sunshine Division.



“Every Belt - Every Ride” Seat Belt Campaign

Every January 939th Safety Office performs a Seat belt Survey to see how well our wing personnel are meeting the states seat belt law. Seat belts save lives and the below article emphasizes this credo. *Michael J. Clarke 939 ARW/ SEG*

WASHINGTON - The National Safety Congress encourages all federal employees to wear seat belts in all stations of moving motor vehicles.

"Every Belt - Every Ride" emphasizes the importance of wearing a seat belt no matter which seat you are in when traveling on public business in government vehicles, private automobiles, taxis or any other moving motor vehicle.

"Half the federal workers who died on the job from 1992 to 2001 lost their lives in transportation incidents," said OSHA Administrator John L. Henshaw. "We know that the single best proven way to bring traffic deaths and serious injuries down is to increase the use of seat belts in all stations of a vehicle, and "Every Belt - Every Ride" is our effort to promote their use among federal employees."

In highway traffic crashes, wearing a seat belt can reduce the risk of death by 45 to 60 percent, according to NHTSA. "Every Belt - Every Ride" is designed to make federal employees aware of the life-saving value of seat belts and remind them that Executive Order 13043 requires them to wear seat belts in all seats-front and back-whenver they travel in motor vehicles.

"Road traffic injury is one of our nation's largest and most pressing public health problems," said Dr. Jeffrey Runge, who heads the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. At a recent symposium, he told federal employees: "Wearing safety belts while traveling on official business is not just a requirement, it's also common sense. Safety belts save lives, cutting the risk of death in half in a crash."

"Every Belt - Every Ride" promotional materials include decals to encourage federal employees to buckle up; small posters federal agencies can download, print and post on employee bulletin boards; expanded information on OSHA's [Motor Vehicle Safety](http://www.osha-slc.gov) web page; and follow-up messages for agency employee communications.

OSHA's role is to assure the safety and health of America's workers by setting and enforcing standards; providing training, outreach, and education; establishing partnerships; and encouraging continual improvement in workplace safety and health. For more information, visit www.osha.gov.

Source: <http://www.osha.gov/index.html>

Santa Arrives at 939th Air Refueling Wing by Lt Col Dana Difford

On Saturday, December 4, the 939th Air Refueling Wing members and their families enjoyed working on crafts and special projects



in anticipation of Santa's arrival. Santa (Maj Laddie Hancock) arrived in style at 2:30 p.m. on a 142d Fighter Wing Rescue Truck, to be greeted by many of the children and their parents. The annual holiday party was a resounding success with Santa talking with children of all ages (to include some of the adults) and listening to their special requests. After visiting with Santa, each child was given a stocking with goodies from the Wahkeena Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution and then selected a special book donated by the Mt Hood Chapter DAR. The national Veterans of Foreign Wars was there to help distribute the gifts and to participate in the festivities. Each child also received an individual Polaroid taken with Santa. Other events were the annual Combined Federal Campaign pie auction with Col William Flanigan, 939 ARW commander, acting as auctioneer, which raised funds for the 939 ARW Foundation.



Ask Sergeant Look Sharp

Sgt Look Sharp Question of the month...

I received a cell phone for Christmas. Can I carry it in uniform?

Beeper and cellular phone - Clipped to waistband or purse or carried in left hand; prohibited unless required to perform duties.

Reference: AFI36-2903
Table 2.5 Pg 102 Item: 11

Members receive several benefits upon retirement. Did you know...

Retired Pin - Members receive the retired lapel button at retirement. Retirees wear the retired lapel button on the left lapel. Members whose terminal assignment is in a First Sergeant's manpower authorization may wear the diamond in all instances the uniform is worn.

Retirees - Retirees may wear civilian clothing when flying in military aircraft. They will present a favorable appearance in good taste. Members of the reserve components who are eligible to retire but are not at mandatory retirement age (60 years) do not wear the uniform while traveling on military aircraft.

Reference: AFI36-2903
Chapter 6 – Table 6-1
– Notes 6 & 7 – Pg 98

Acronym of the month...

JFCC - Joint Firepower Control Course
Reference: AFI36-2903
Attachment 1 - Pg 100

Term of the month...

Mandatory Clothing Items - Uniform clothing items each member must maintain.

Reference: AFI36-2903
Attachment 1 - Pg 101
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